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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - JULY 12

BONN PLEASE PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY
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1. UNITED STATES. PRAVDA CARRIES THE FULL TEXT OF THE JOINT STATEMENT FOLLOWING THE SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH GROMYKO IN GENEVA. PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA REPORT PRESIDENT FOR'S LETTER TO CONGRESS IN WHICH HE REQUESTED CONGRESS TO RECONSIDER THE 1974 TRADE ACT IN ORDER TO GRANT MFN STATUS TO THE SOVIET UNION. THE MEDIA CONTINUE THEIR BUILD-UP TO THE APOLLO-SOYUZ LAUNCH, WITH PRAVDA REPORTING AN INTERVIEW WITH GLENN LANNI, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR OF THE JOINT SPACE PROJECT. IZVESTIYA'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT S. KONDRASHOV ARGUES THAT JACK ANDERSON'S RECENT COLUMN IN THE WASHINGTON POST WHICH ALLEGES ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES BY THE WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENTS OF IZVESTIYA AND TRUD IS A PUT-UP JOB BY THE CIA. KONDRASHOV ASSERTS THAT THE CIA WANTS TO DIVERT ATTENTION FROM ITS WON BAD PUBLICITY BY MANIPULATING AMERICAN SUSPICIONS OF TH SOVIETS AND THEREFORE "CERTAIN INTERSTED PERSONS" SUPPLIED MATERIAL FROM "SECRET FILES" TO ANERSON. ANDERSON FURTHER IS SAID TO BE MOTIVATED BY HOSTILITY TOWARD DETENTE. A LENGTHY AND AUTHORITATIVE PRAVDA COMMENTARY BY "OBSERVER" CALLS SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S "NUCLEAR THREAT" OUT OF STEP WITH PRESENT DAY REALITY, AND DESCRIBES HIS REMARKS AS "STRANGE AND DANGEROUS."

2. MIDDLE EAST. PRAVDA REPORTS THE COMPLETION OF THE CAIRO MEETING OF 23 OAU AND ARAB LEAGUE FOREIGN MINISTERS. ACCORDING TO PRAVDA, THE DECLARATION ISSUED CONDEMNS AGGRESSION, INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL UNCLASSIFIED

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AFFAIRS OF OTHERS, AND CALLS FOR AN AFRO-ARAB SUMMIT.

3. CHINA. THREE COMMENTARIES DENOUNCE PEKING FOR ALLEGEDLY SEEKING TO EXPAND ITS "HEGEMONY" IN ASIA AND FOR ENCOURAGING WESTERN EUROPEAN UNITY AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION. PRAVDA COMMENTATOR FILIPPOV CHARGES THAT PEKING IS WORKING TO ENCOURAGE SUBVERSION IN BURMAN, WORKING WITH "SEPARATISTS" AND OTHER "ANTI-NATIONAL AGENTS." SOVIETSKAYA ROSSIA COMMENTS

ON PEKING'S EFFORTS TO DRAW JAPAN INTO ITS ANTI-SOVIET WEB THROUGH THE ""HEGEMONY" LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSED TREATY, AND DISPUTES SOME JAPANESE WHO MAY YIELD TO "PEKING PRESSURE." THE NEWSPAPER SOTSIALISTICHESKAYA INDUSTRIYA CLAIMS THAT PEKING'S DECISION TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE EEC IS AN EFFORT TO PERPETUATE THE DIVISION OF EUROPE.

4. INTERNAL AFFAIRS. THE SECOND SECRETARY OF THE LENINGRAD OBLAST PARTY COMMITTEE, V. N. IGNATOV, HAS BEEN SENT TO VORONEZH OBLAST AS THE NEW FIRST SECRETARY, REPLACING V.I. VOROTNIKOV WHO WAS NAMED FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE RSFSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. THE NET EFFECT OF THIS MOVE PROBABLY STRENGTHENS THE POLITICAL BASE OF LENINGRAD PARTY LEADER G. V. ROMANOV WHO CURRENTLY IS A CANDIDATE MEMBER OF THE CPSU POLITBURO.
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